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ACT 14.

AN ACT RELATING TO A LABOR COMMISSION, AND REPEALING ACTS 4 AND 11 OF THE EXECUTIVE AND ADVISORY COUNCILS OF THE REPUBLIC OF HAWAII RELATING TO A LABOR COMMISSION.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the Republic of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. The President of the Republic is hereby authorized and directed to appoint a Commission of three persons, who shall be known as the "Labor Commission," and all of whom shall serve without pay. One of the Commissioners shall be designated by the President to be Chairman of the Commission, and shall have power to administer oaths. Members of the Commission may be removed at any time by the President.

SECTION 2. Vacancies caused by death, resignation, refusal to serve, or other cause, shall be filled by appointment of the President.

SECTION 3. It shall be the duty of the said Commission to make a full and careful inquiry and investigation into the following matters, so far as the same shall not have been done by the Labor Commission provided for in Act IV of the Executive and Advisory Councils of the Republic, and to report from time to time to the Legislature, if the same shall be in session, or to the Executive Council if the Legislature shall have adjourned.

1. The number and nationality and residence of all agricultural laborers now employed in the Republic, showing the number engaged in each particular branch of agriculture.
2. The rate of wages paid to the different nationalities of such laborers in the different portions of the Republic.
3. The number, nationality and residence of all mechanics now employed in the Republic.
4. The rate of wages paid to the different nationalities of such mechanics in the different portions of the Republic.
5. The price received by Hawaiian sugar planters for raw sugar.
6. The cost of producing sugar, showing, so far as practicable, the cost of each stage and process, and showing more particularly the proportionate cost of unskilled labor.
7. Whether or not an increased number of agricultural and other unskilled laborers will be needed in the near future, and if so, in connection with what industries and how many laborers will probably be required.
8. The trials which have been given to co-operative production, or profit-sharing, in the production of sugar, rice or other agricultural products in this country, giving, so far as practicable, the details of the several agreements and methods adopted, and the results thereof.
9. Whether or not a system of co-operative production or profit-sharing is feasible in connection with the main agricultural industries of the country; and, if so, upon what lines.
10. Whether or not such a system of production has ever been adopted in any other country situated similarly to Hawaii, and the production of similar products to those produced here; and if so, what the results were.
11. Whether or not there is anything in the climatic or other conditions in this country which render it physically impossible for Europeans and Americans to successfully engage in field labor in this country.
12. If Europeans and Americans are found capable of personal field labor, whether or not it is feasible to secure the immigration of a sufficient number of Europeans or Americans to supply the present and probable requirements for unskilled labor. If so, upon what terms and by what means, and from what countries.
13. What the effect of Chinese immigration has been in this country.
14. What the effect of restriction of such immigration has been.
15. Whether or not it is necessary or advisable to allow the further immigration of Chinese. If so, upon what conditions.
16. What the effect of Japanese immigration has been in this country.
17. Whether or not it is necessary or advisable to allow the further immigration of Japanese. If so, upon what conditions.
18. What the condition of field labor and of mechanics is and during the last few years has been in this country, as compared with other countries.
19. What rate of wages is paid in other countries to skilled and mechanical labor in the production of products similar to those raised here.
20. In what manner and to what extent men introduced as contract laborers have competed with the mechanical or business interests of the country.
21. Any other matters of a kindred character which will throw light upon the subject and tend to solve the problems incidental to the labor question in this country.

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